

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously Presented) A fixture for insertion into a gypsum board wall to enable pictures and the like to be hung therefrom comprising:

a Vee-shaped metal fixture having a first leg and a second leg, said first leg functioning as an anchor and said second leg functioning as a hanger;

said second leg terminating in a hook; and

said first leg being arcuate with a center of curvature substantially at the center of curvature of said hook.

2. (Currently Amended) A method for inserting the fixture of claim 1 into a gypsum board wall comprising the steps of:

rotatably supporting the hook of said second leg against the wall; and

driving said first leg into the wall along the arc of its curvature.

3. (Canceled)

4. (New) A fixture for insertion into a gypsum board wall to enable pictures and the like to be hung therefrom, comprising:

a rigid hanger comprising a first leg and a second leg which together form a Vee;

said first leg functioning as an anchor for insertion into the wall and said second leg having a hook formed therein adjacent its terminus from which pictures and the like may be hung; and

said first leg being arcuate with the center of curvature of its arc at or near the base of the hook of said second leg.

5. (New) The fixture of claim 4 wherein the fixture is formed from a metal strip.

6. (New) A method of securing a fixture in a gypsum board wall from which pictures and the like may be hung, comprising the steps of:

forming a rigid hanger comprising a first leg and a second leg which together form a Vee;

forming a hook adjacent the terminus of the second leg from which a picture or the like may be hung;

forming the first leg into an arcuate shape with the center of curvature of its arc at or near the base of the hook of the second leg,

supporting the hook of the second leg against the wall at its desired location so as to enable the hanger to rotate toward the wall; and

driving the first leg into the wall while maintaining the hook at its desired location.

7. (New) The method of claim 6 wherein the hanger is formed from a metal strip.